



PATENT
2023796-7036172001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jon C. Taenzer

Serial No.: 09/610,188

Filed: July 5, 2000

For: IMPROVED DIRECTIONAL
MICROPHONE SYSTEM

)
) Confirmation No.: 5001
)
) Group Art Unit: 2644
)
) Examiner: Pendleton, Brian T.
)
)
)
)
)

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response (5 pages) to Office Action, mailed November 3, 2005, for the above-identified application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-2518, Docket No. 2023796-7036172001.

DATE: January 30, 2006

Respectfully submitted,
BINGHAM MCCUTCHEN LLP

By: 

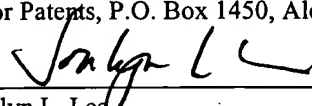
Michael J. Bolan
Registration No.: 42,339

Bingham McCutchen LLP
Three Embarcadero Center, Suite 1800
San Francisco, California 94111

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

1/30/06
Date of Deposit


Jocelyn L. Lee



PATENT
2023796-7036172001

2644
(FW)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re the Application of:

Jon C. Taenzer

Serial No.: 09/610,188

Filed: July 5, 2000

For: IMPROVED DIRECTIONAL
MICROPHONE SYSTEM

)
) Confirmation No.: 5001
)
) Group Art Unit: 2644
)
) Examiner: Pendleton, Brian T.
)
)
)
)
)

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This letter is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2005. Claims 1-35 remain pending in this application, and have not been amended. Based on the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections-35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-27

Claims 1-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 2,301,744 issued to Olson ("Olson"), alone, or in view of various combinations of U.S. Patent No. 6,327,370 issued to Killion, et al. ("Killion"), U.S. Patent No. 4,742,548 issued to Sessler, et al. ("Sessler"), U.S. Patent No. 6,654,468 issued to Thompson ("Thompson") Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection, since none of these references, alone or in combination, disclose, teach, or suggest the combination of elements required by these claims.